The minted package: Highlighted source code in LATEX

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Abstract

minted is a package that facilitates expressive syntax highlighting using the powerful Pygments library. The package also provides options to customize the highlighted source code output.

Current status

minted was created in 2009 by Konrad Rudolph. Geoffrey Poore agreed to take over minted maintenance in March of 2013, since his PythonTeX package also provides an interface to Pygments.

minted is currently in an alpha release for v2.0. The goal is to close all current issues, including those on the old Google Code site, before the full v2.0 release. During this time of transition, users who need maximum stability are encouraged to use minted 1.7 or PythonTeX. The release on CTAN will only be updated once v2.0 stabilizes.

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1 Introduction

minted is a package that allows formatting source code in LATEX. For example:

```
\begin{minted} {language}
   code
\end{minted}
```

will highlight a piece of code in a chosen language. The display can be customized by a number of arguments and colour schemes.

Unlike some other packages, most notably listings, minted requires the installation of additional software, Pygments. This may seem like a disadvantage, but there are also significant advantages.

Pygments provides superior syntax highlighting compared to conventional packages. For example, listings basically only highlights strings, comments and keywords. Pygments, on the other hand, can be completely customized to highlight any kind of token the source language might support. This might include special formatting sequences inside strings, numbers, different kinds of identifiers and exotic constructs such as HTML tags.

Some languages make this especially desirable. Consider the following Ruby code as an extreme, but at the same time typical, example:

for compatibility with earlier versions

```
class Foo
  def init
    pi = Math::PI
    @var = "Pi is approx. #{pi}"
  end
end
```

Here we have four different colors for identifiers (five, if you count keywords) and escapes from inside strings, none of which pose a problem for Pygments.

Additionally, installing Pygments is actually incredibly easy (see the next section).

2 Installation

2.1 Prerequisites

Pygments is written in Python, so make sure that you have at Python 2.6 or later installed on your system. This may be easily checked from the command line:

```
$ python --version
Python 2.7.5
```

If you don't have Python installed, you can download it from the Python website or use your operating system's package manager.

Some Python distributions include Pygments (see some of the options under "Alternative Implementations" on the Python site). Otherwise, you will need to install Pygments manually.

This may be done by installing setuptools, which facilitates the distribution of Python applications. You can then install Pygments using the following command:

```
$ sudo easy_install Pygments
```

Under Windows, you will not need the sudo, but may need to run the command prompt as administrator.

If you already have Pygments installed, be aware that a current version is recommended (at least 1.4 or later). minted may work with versions as early as 1.2, but there are no guarantees.

2.2 Required packages

minted requires that the following packages be available and reasonably up to date on your system. All of these ship with recent TeX distributions.

- keyval
- kvoptions
- fancyvrb
- float
- ifthen
- calc
- ifplatform
- pdftexcmds
- etoolbox
- xstring
- xcolor

2.3 Installing minted

You can probably install minted with your TeX distributions package manager. Otherwise, you can install it manually by following the directions below.

If the file minted.sty doesn't exist yet, we first have to create it. If you're using a system that supports the make command, then you can simply type the following command in the folder where you've extracted the minted package code:

```
$ make
```

Alternatively, you may download this file separately from the project's homepage, or create it manually by executing the command

```
$ tex minted.ins
```

on the command line.

Finally, we have to install the file so that T_EX is able to find it. In order to do that, please refer to the T_EX FAQ. If you just want to experiment with the latest version, you could locate your current minted.sty in your T_EX installation and replace it with the latest version. Or you could just put the latest minted.sty in the same directory as the file you wish to use it with.

3 Basic usage

3.1 Preliminary

Since minted makes calls to the outside world (that is, Pygments), you need to tell the LATEX processor about this by passing it the -shell-escape option or it won't allow such calls. In effect, instead of calling the processor like this:

```
$ latex input
you need to call it like this:
$ latex -shell-escape input
```

The same holds for other processors, such as pdflatex or xelatex.

You should be aware that using -shell-escape allows LATEX to run potentially arbitrary commands on your system. It is probably best to use -shell-escape only when you need it, and to use only it with documents from trusted sources.

3.2 A minimal complete example

The following file minimal.tex shows the basic usage of minted.

```
\documentclass{article}
\usepackage{minted}
\begin{document}
```

```
\begin{minted} {c}
int main() {
    printf("hello, world");
    return 0;
}
\end{minted}
\end{document}
```

By compiling the source file like this:

```
$ pdflatex -shell-escape minimal
```

we end up with the following output in minimal.pdf:

```
int main() {
   printf("hello, world");
   return 0;
}
```

3.3 Formatting source code

using minted is straightforward. For example, to highlight some Python source code we might use the following code snippet (result on the right):

```
\begin{minted} {python}
def boring(args = None):
    pass
\end{minted}
def boring(args = None):
    pass
pass
```

Optionally, the environment accepts a number of options in key=value notation, which are described in more detail below.

\mint For a single line of source code, you can alternatively use a shorthand notation:

```
\mint{python}|import this| import this
```

The code is delimited by a pair of identical characters, similar to how \verb works. The complete syntax is \mint[$\langle options \rangle$] { $\langle language \rangle$ } $\langle delim \rangle \langle code \rangle \langle delim \rangle$, where the code delimiter can be almost any punctuation character. Again, this command supports a number of options described below.

Note that the \mint command is not for inline use. Rather, it is a shortcut for minted when only a single line of code is present. The \mintinline command is provided for inline use.

\mintinline Code can be typeset inline:

```
X\mintinline{python}{print(x**2)}X Xprint(x**2)X
```

The syntax is $\mbox{mintinline}[\langle options \rangle] \{\langle language \rangle\} \langle delim \rangle \langle code \rangle \langle delim \rangle$. The delimiters can be a pair of characters, as for \mbox{mint} . They can also be a matched pair of curly braces, $\{\}$.

The command has been carefully crafted so that in most cases it will function correctly when used inside other commands. 1

\inputminted

Finally, there's the \inputminted command to read and format whole files. Its syntax is \inputminted [$\langle options \rangle$] { $\langle filename \rangle$ }.

3.4 Using different styles

\usemintedstyle

Instead of using the default style you may choose another stylesheet provided by Pygments. This may be done via the following:

```
\usemintedstyle { name }
```

The full syntax is \usemintedstyle[$\langle language \rangle$] { $\langle style \rangle$ }. The style may be set for the document as a whole (no language specified), or only for a particular language. Note that the style may also be set via \setminted and via the optional argument for each command and environment.²

To get a list of all available stylesheets, see the online demo at the Pygments website or execute the following command on the command line:

```
$ pygmentize -L styles
```

Creating your own styles is also easy. Just follow the instructions provided on the website.

3.5 Supported languages

Pygments supports over 150 different programming languages, template languages, and other markup languages. To see an exhaustive list of the currently supported languages, use the command

```
$ pygmentize -L lexers
```

¹For example, **\mintinline** works in footnotes! The main exception is when the code contains the percent % and hash # characters.

 $^{^2}$ Version 2 .0 added the optional language argument and removed the restriction that the command be used in the preamble.

4 Floating listings

listing

minted provides the listing environment to wrap around a source code block. This puts the code into a floating box. You can also provide a \caption and a \label for such a listing in the usual way (that is, as for the table and figure environments):

```
\begin{listing}[H]
  \mint{cl}/(car (cons 1 '(2)))/
  \caption{Example of a listing.}
  \label{list:example}
\end{listing}
Listing \ref{lst:example} contains an example of a listing.
```

will yield:

```
(car (cons 1 '(2)))

Listing 1: Example of a listing.

Listing 1 contains an example of a listing.
```

\listoflistings

The \listoflistings macro will insert a list of all (floated) listings in the document:

```
List of listings

1 Example of a listing. 9
```

\listingscaption

The string "Listing" in a listing's caption can be changed. To do this, simply redefine the macro \listingscaption, for example:

```
\renewcommand{\listingscaption}{Program code}
```

\listoflistingscaption

Likewise, the caption of the listings list, "List of listings," can be changed by redefining \listoflistingscaption:

```
\renewcommand{\listoflistingscaption}{List of program codes}
```

5 Options

5.1 Package options

section chapter

To control how LATEX counts the listing floats, you can pass either the section or chapter option when loading the minted package. For example, the following will cause listings to be counted by section:

\usepackage[section] {minted}

cache

minted works by saving code to a temporary file, highlighting the code via Pygments and saving the output to another temporary file, and inputting the output into the LaTeX document. This process can become quite slow if there are many chunks of code to highlight. To avoid this, the package provides a cache option.

By default, the cache option creates a directory .minted-\(\jobname\) in the document's root directory. Files of highlighted code are stored in this directory, so that the code will not have to be highlighted again in the future. In most cases, caching will significantly speed up document compilation.

Cached files that are no longer in use are automatically deleted.³

 $outputdir=\langle directory \rangle$

The -output-directory command-line option for LATEX causes problems for minted, because the minted temporary files are saved in <outputdir>, but minted still looks for them in the document root directory. There is no way to access the value of the command-line option so that minted can automatically look in the right place. But it is possible to allow the output directory to be specified manually as a package option.

The output directory should be specified using an absolute path or a path relative to the document root directory. Paths should use forward spaces, even under Windows. Paths that include spaces are not allowed.

cachedir=(directory)

This allows the directory in which cached files are stored to be specified. Paths should use forward spaces, even under Windows. Paths that include spaces are not allowed.

Note that this directory is relative to the outputdir, if an outputdir is specified.

langlinenos

minted uses the fancyvrb package behind the scenes for the code typesetting. fancyvrb provides an option firstnumber that allows the starting line number of an environment to be specified. For convenience, there is an option firstnumber=last

³This depends on the main auxiliary file not being deleted or becoming corrupted. If that happens, you could simply delete the cache directory and start over.

that allows line numbering to pick up where it left off. The langlinenos option makes firstnumber work for each language individually with all minted and \mint usages. For example, consider the code and output below.

```
\begin{minted}[linenos]{python}
def^{-}f(x):
    return x**2
\end{minted}
\begin{minted} [linenos] {ruby}
def func
    puts "message"
end
\end{minted}
\begin{minted}[linenos, firstnumber=last]{python}
def g(x):
    return 2*x
\end{minted}
             def f(x):
                 return x**2
         2
             def func
                 puts "message"
             def g(x):
                 return 2*x
```

Without the langlinenos option, the line numbering in the second Python environment would not pick up where the first Python environment left off.

5.2 Macro option usage

All minted highlighting commands accept the same set of options. Options are specified as a comma-separated list of key=value pairs. For example, we can specify that the lines should be numbered:

An option value of true may also be omitted entirely (including the "="). To customize the display of the line numbers further, override the \theFancyVerbLine command. Consult the fancyvrb documentation for details.

\mint accepts the same options:

```
\mint[linenos] {perl} | $x=~/foo/| 1 $x=~/foo/
```

Here's another example: we want to use the LATEX math mode inside comments:

To make your LATEX code more readable you might want to indent the code inside a minted environment. The option gobble removes these unnecessary whitespace characters from the output:

```
\begin{minted} [gobble=2,
    showspaces] {python}
    def boring(args = None):
        pass
\end{minted}

versus

\begin{minted} [showspaces] {python}
    def boring(args = None):
        pass
\end{minted} [showspaces] {python}
    def boring(args = None):
        pass
\end{minted}
```

\setminted

You may wish to set options for the document as a whole, or for an entire language. This is possible via \setminted. The syntax is \setminted[$\langle language \rangle$] { $\langle key=value,... \rangle$ }. Language-specific options override document-wide options, which in turn are overridden by individual command and environment options.

5.3 Available options

Following is a full list of available options. For more detailed option descriptions please refer to the fancyvrb and Pygments documentation.

autogobble

```
(boolean) (default: false)
```

Remove (gobble) all common leading whitespace from code. Essentially a version of gobble that automatically determines what should be removed. Good for code that originally is not indented, but is manually indented after being pasted into a LATEX document.

baselinestretch

(auto|dimension)

(default: auto)

Value to use as for baselinestretch inside the listing.

bgcolor (string)

(default: none)

Background color of the listing. Notice that the value of this option must *not* be a color command. Instead, it must be a color *name*, given as a string, of a previously-defined color:

Unlike the other options, this option is currently only supported for individual commands and environments; there is not support at the language and document-wide levels.

codetagify

(list of strings)

(default: highlight XXX, TODO, BUG, and NOTE)

Highlight special code tags in comments and docstrings.

encoding

(string)

(default: system-specific)

Sets the file encoding that Pygments expects.

escapeinside

(string)

(default: system-specifyc)

Escape text inside code blocks allowing for further formatting. The supplied argument must be a 2-char string of the same character (eg. ||).

outencoding

(string)

(default: system-specific)

Sets the file encoding that Pygments uses for highlighted output. Overrides any encoding previously set via encoding.

firstline

(integer)

(default: 1)

The first line to be shown. All lines before that line are ignored and do not appear in the output.

firstnumber

(auto|integer)

(default: auto = 1)

Line number of the first line.

fontfamily

(family name)

(default: tt)

The font family to use. tt, courier and helvetica are pre-defined.

fontseries

(series name)

(default: auto – the same as the current font)

The font series to use.

fontsize

(font size) (default: auto – the same as the current font)

The size of the font to use, as a size command, e.g. \footnotesize.

```
The font shape to use.
                                                                                         (default: none)
                          (command)
            format.com
                          A format to execute before printing verbatim text.
                          (none|leftline|topline|bottomline|lines|single)
                                                                                         (default: none)
                 frame
                          The type of frame to put around the source code listing.
                          (dimension)
                                                                                        (default: 0.4pt)
            framerule
                           Width of the frame.
                          (dimension)
                                                                                     (default: \fboxsep)
              framesep
                          Distance between frame and content.
                                                                                         (default: true)
funcnamehighlighting
                          (boolean)
                          [For PHP only] If true, highlights built-in function names.
                                                                                             (default: 0)
                gobble
                          Remove the first n characters from each input line.
           keywordcase
                          (string)
                                                                                      (default: 'lower')
                          Changes capitalization of keywords. Takes 'lower', 'upper', or 'capitalize'.
                                                                                        (default: empty)
                 label
                          (string)
                          Add a label to the top, the bottom or both of the frames around the code. See the
                          fancyvrb documentation for more information and examples. Note: This does not
                          add a \label to the current listing. To achieve that, use a floating environment
                          (section 4) instead.
                          (none|topline|bottomline|all)
                                                                         (default: topline, all or none)
        labelposition
                          Position where to print the label (see above; default: topline if one label is
                          defined, all if two are defined, none else). See the fancyvrb documentation for
                          more information.
             lastline
                          (integer)
                                                                              (default: last line of input)
                          The last line to be shown.
               linenos
                                                                                        (default: false)
                          Enables line numbers. In order to customize the display style of line numbers, you
                          need to redefine the \theFancyVerbLine macro:
                            \renewcommand{\theFancyVerbLine}{\sffamily
                              \textcolor[rgb] {0.5,0.5,1.0} {\scriptsize
                              \oldstylenums{\arabic{FancyVerbLine}}}
                                                                   11 def all(iterable):
                            \begin { minted } [ linenos,
                                                                           for i in iterable:
                                                                   12
                              firstnumber=11] {python}
                                                                   13
                                                                                if not i:
                            def all(iterable):
                                                                                    return False
                                                                   14
                                for i in iterable:
                                                                           return True
                                     if not i:
                                          return False
```

return True

\end{minted}

(default: auto – the same as the current font)

(font shape)

fontshape

(default: none) numbers (left|right) Essentially the same as linenos, except the side on which the numbers appear may be specified. (boolean) (default: false) mathescape Enable LATEX math mode inside comments. Do not use spaces inside math mode they will be rendered like other full-width verbatim spaces. Usage as in package listings. (boolean) (default: true) numberblanklines Enables or disables numbering of blank lines. (dimension) (default: 12pt) numbersep Gap between numbers and start of line. (default: false) obeytabs (boolean) Treat tabs as tabs instead of converting them to spaces. (boolean) (default: false) python3 [For PythonConsoleLexer only] Specifies whether Python 3 highlighting is applied. (default: false) (boolean) resetmargins Resets the left margin inside other environments. (color command) (default: black) rulecolor The color of the frame. (default: false) (boolean) samepage Forces the whole listing to appear on the same page, even if it doesn't fit. (default: false) showspaces (boolean) Enables visible spaces: visible spaces. (boolean) (default: false) showtabs Enables visible tabs—only works in combination with obeytabs. (boolean) (default: false) startinline [For PHP only] Specifies that the code starts in PHP mode, i.e. leading <?php is omitted. (default: default) (string) style Sets the stylesheet used by Pygments. (default: 1) (integer) stepnumber Interval at which line numbers appear. (boolean) (default: true) stripnl Strip all leading and trailing whitespace from the input. (default: 8) tabsize The number of spaces a tab is equivalent to if obeytabs is not active.

(boolean)

texcl

Enables LATEX code inside comments. Usage as in package listings.

(default: false)

```
texcomments (boolean) (default: false)
Enables LATEX code inside comments. The newer name for texcl.

xleftmargin (dimension) (default: 0)
Indentation to add before the listing.

xrightmargin (dimension) (default: 0)
Indentation to add after the listing.
```

6 Defining shortcuts

Large documents with a lot of listings will nonetheless use the same source language and the same set of options for most listings. Always specifying all options is redundant, a lot to type and makes performing changes hard.

One option is to use \setminted, but even then you must still specify the language each time.

minted therefore defines a set of commands that lets you define shortcuts for the highlighting commands. Each shortcut is specific for one programming language.

\newminted

\newminted defines a new alias for the minted environment:

If you want to provide extra options on the fly, or override existing default options, you can do that, too:

Notice the star "*" behind the environment name—due to restrictions in fancyvrb's handling of options, it is necessary to provide a *separate* environment that accepts options, and the options are *not* optional on the starred version of the environment.

The default name of the environment is $\langle language \rangle_{code}$. If this name clashes with another environment or if you want to choose an own name for another reason, you may do so by specifying it as the first argument: $\langle language \rangle$ { $\langle language \rangle$ } { $\langle language \rangle$ } { $\langle language \rangle$ }.

\newmint

The above macro only defines shortcuts for the minted environment. The main reason is that the short command form \mint often needs different options—at the very least, it will generally not use the gobble option. A shortcut for \mint is defined using \newmint[$\langle macro\ name \rangle$] { $\langle language \rangle$ } { $\langle options \rangle$ }. The arguments and usage are identical to \newminted. If no $\langle macro\ name \rangle$ is specified, $\langle language \rangle$ is used.

\newmintinline

This creates custom versions of \mintinline. The syntax is the same as that for \newmint: \newmintinline[$\langle macro\ name \rangle$] { $\langle language \rangle$ } { $\langle options \rangle$ }. If a $\langle macro\ name \rangle$ is not specified, then the created macro is called $\langle \langle language \rangle$ inline.

```
\newmintinline{perl}{showspaces}
Xmy_$foo_=_$bar; X
X\perlinline/my $foo = $bar;/X
```

\newmintedfile

This creates custom versions of \inputminted. The syntax is

```
\mbox{\ \ } \{ (anguage) \} \{ (options) \}
```

If no $\langle macro\ name \rangle$ is given, then the macro is called $\langle language \rangle$ file.

7 FAQ and Troubleshooting

In some cases, minted may not give the desired result due to other document settings that it cannot control. Common issues are described below, with workarounds or solutions. You may also wish to search tex.stackexchange.com or ask a question there, if you are working with minted in a non-typical context.

- Tilde characters ~ are raised, almost like superscripts. This is a font issue. You need a different font encoding, possibly with a different font. Try \usepackage[T1]{fontenc} plus \usepackage{lmodern}, or something similar.
- Extended characters do not work inside minted commands and environments, even when the inputenc package is used. Version 2.0 adds support for extended characters under the pdfTeX engine. But if you need characters that are not supported by inputenc, you should use the XeTeX or LuaTeX engines instead.
- The polyglossia package is doing undesirable things to code. (For example, adding extra space around colons in French.) You may

need to put your code within \begin{english}...\end{english}. This may done for all minted environments using etoolbox in the preamble:

```
\usepackage{etoolbox}
\BeforeBeginEnvironment{minted}{\begin{english}}
\AfterEndEnvironment{minted}{\end{english}}
```

- Tabs are being turned into the character sequence ^^I. This happens when you use XeLaTeX. You need to use the -8bit command-line option so that tabs may be written correctly to temporary files. See http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/58732/how-to-output-a-tabulation-into-a-file for more on XeLaTeX's handling of tab characters.
- The caption package produces an error when \captionof and other commands are used in combination with minted. Load the caption package with the option compatibility=false.
- Tabs are eaten by Beamer. This is due to how Beamer works with verbatim content. You are probably using the frame option fragile. Try fragile=singleslide if you don't need overlays. Otherwise, consider using \inputminted or converting the tabs into spaces.
- I need a listing environment that supports page breaks. See http://tex.stackexchange.com/a/53540/10742.
- I want to use a custom script/executable to access Pygments, rather than pygmentize. Redefine \MintedPygmentize:

```
\renewcommand{\MintedPygmentize}{...}
```

- I want to use the command-line option -output-directory, or MiK-TeX's -aux-directory, but am getting errors. Use the package option outputdir to specify the location of the output directory. Unfortunately, there is no way for minted to detect the output directory automatically.
- I want extended characters in labels, but am getting errors. This can happen with Python 2.7, due to a terminal encoding issue with Pygments. It should work with Python 3, but you will need to use minted 2.0+ and may have to set the encoding (for example, \begin{minted} [encoding=utf8,label=...]). As a workaround under Python 2.7, you can save the label text in a macro (for example, \newcommand{\mylabel}{<label>}), and then pass the macro to minted (\begin{minted} [label=\mylabel,...]). You will still need minted 2.0+ and may need to specify the encoding.

• I want automatic line breaks for long lines. This may not be advisable for several reasons. First, automatic line breaks will usually be far inferior to manual line breaks, unless the line-breaking algorithm knows something about the language and its (or your) indentation conventions. Second, even if the line breaking is acceptable, it will typically have to occur at the space nearest the margin. So long lines of code with no spaces may not be broken, and things like quoted strings may be split in the middle. Third, code that uses automatic line breaks must have a symbol near the left-hand side of the page that indicates which lines are continued (for example, ⇒), because the line breaks may be in places that would make the code invalid. The continuation symbol will make it harder for readers to copy-and-paste code from a PDF. It will also leave less room for the inclusion of line numbers or frames.

If you nevertheless insist on automatic line breaks, you may wish to consult http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/112559/box-around-minted-environment/112573#112573. Note that this solution fails when code is indented (http://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/129383/break-lines-in-minted-code).

You may also wish to experiment with the following snippets, which were inspired by the links above. Due to the many difficulties associated with automatic line breaking, this code is not included in the minted package. While the code may be suitable for some purposes, it will likely require tweaking in many situations. Margins especially may require adjustment.

The following code causes long lines to wrap around onto the next line, without any indentation or continuation symbol.

```
\newsavebox\FancyVerbLineBox
\renewcommand{\FancyVerbFormatLine}[1]{%
\begingroup
\parindent0pt
\setbox\FancyVerbLineBox=\vbox\bgroup
\strut #1\strut
\egroup
\usebox{\FancyVerbLineBox}%
\endgroup
}
```

The next example is more advanced, inserting a continuation symbol and adding additional indentation to all code to prevent it from overlapping line numbers. It requires the lineno package.

```
\newsavebox\FancyVerbLineBox
\renewcommand{\FancyVerbFormatLine}[1]{%
\begingroup
\hsize=\linewidth
\parindent0pt
```

```
\setcounter{linenumber} {1}%
\renewcommand{\thelinenumber} {8
  \ifnum\value{linenumber} = 1\relax\else
  \strut$\Rightarrow$\strut
  \fi}%
\advance\hsize by -2em
\setbox\FancyVerbLineBox=\vbox\bgroup
  \begin{internallinenumbers}%
  \strut #1\strut
  \end{internallinenumbers}%
\egroup
  \hspace{2em}\usebox{\FancyVerbLineBox}%
  \endgroup
}
```

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Version History

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v2.0-alpha3 (2013/12/21)
```

- Added autogobble option. This sends code through Python's textwrap.dedent() to remove common leading whitespace.
- Added package option cachedir. This allows the directory in which cached content is saved to be specified.
- Added package option outputdir. This allows an output directory for temporary files to be specified, so that the package can work with LaTeX's -output-directory command-line option.
- The kvoptions package is now required. It is needed to process keyvalue package options, such as the new cachedir option.
- Many small improvements, including better handling of paths under Windows and improved key system.

v2.0-alpha2 (2013/08/21)

- \DeleteFile now only deletes files if they do indeed exist. This eliminates warning messages due to missing files.
- Fixed a bug in the definition of \DeleteFile for non-Windows systems.
- Added support for Pygments option stripnl.

- Settings macros that were previously defined globally are now defined locally, so that \setminted may be confined by \begingroup...\endgroup as expected.
- Macro definitions for a given style are now loaded only once per document, rather than once per command/environment. This works even without caching.
- A custom script/executable may now be substituted for pygmentize by redefining \MintedPygmentize.

v2.0alpha (2013/07/30)

- Added the package option cache. This significantly increases compilation speed by caching old output. For example, compiling the documentation is around 5x faster.
- New inline command \mintinline. Custom versions can be created via \newmintinline. The command works inside other commands (for example, footnotes) in most situations, so long as the percent and hash characters are avoided.
- The new \setminted command allows options to be specified at the document and language levels.
- All extended characters (Unicode, etc.) supported by inputenc now work under the pdfTeX engine. This involved using \detokenize on everything prior to saving.
- New package option langlinenos allows line numbering to pick up where it left off for a given language when firstnumber=last.
- New options, including style, encoding, outencoding, codetagify, keywordcase, texcomments (same as texcl), python3 (for the PythonConsoleLexer), and numbers.
- \usemintedstyle now takes an optional argument to specify the style for a particular language, and works anywhere in the document.
- xcolor is only loaded if color isn't, preventing potential package clashes.

8 Implementation

8.1 Required packages

Load required packages. For compatibility reasons, most old functionality should be supported with the original set of packages. More recently added packages, such as etoolbox and xstring, should only be used for new features when possible.

1 \RequirePackage{keyval}

```
2 \RequirePackage{kvoptions}
3 \RequirePackage{fancyvrb}
4 \RequirePackage{float}
5 \RequirePackage{ifthen}
6 \RequirePackage{calc}
7 \RequirePackage{ifplatform}
8 \RequirePackage{pdftexcmds}
g \RequirePackage{etoolbox}
10 \RequirePackage{xstring}
```

Make sure that either color or xcolor is loaded.

11 \AtBeginDocument{\@ifpackageloaded{color}{}{RequirePackage{xcolor}}}

8.2 Package options

\minted@float@within Define an option that controls the section numbering of the listing float.

```
12 \DeclareVoidOption{chapter}{\def\minted@float@within{chapter}}
13 \DeclareVoidOption{section}{\def\minted@float@within{section}}
```

minted@cache Define an option that determines whether highlighted content is cached. We use a boolean to keep track of its state.

```
14 \newboolean{minted@cache}
15 \DeclareVoidOption{cache}{%
    \minted@cachetrue
    \AtEndOfPackage{\ProvideDirectory{\minted@outputdir\minted@cachedir}}%
17
18 }
```

\minted@cachedir Set the directory in which cached content is saved. The default uses a .mintedprefix followed by a sanitized \jobname (spaces and asterisks replaced).

```
19 \StrSubstitute{\jobname}{ }{_}[\minted@jobname]
20 \StrSubstitute{\minted@jobname}{"}{}[\minted@jobname]
21 \StrSubstitute{\minted@jobname}{*}{-}[\minted@jobname]
22 \newcommand{\minted@cachedir}{.minted-\minted@jobname}
23 \let\minted@cachedir@windows\minted@cachedir
24 \define@key{minted}{cachedir}{%
25
    \@namedef{minted@cachedir}{#1}%
    \StrSubstitute{\minted@cachedir}{/}{\@backslashchar}[\minted@cachedir@windows]}
```

\minted@outputdir

The -output-directory command-line option for LATEX causes problems for minted, because the minted temporary files are saved in the output directory, but minted still looks for them in the document root directory. There is no way to access the value of the command-line option. But it is possible to allow the output directory to be specified manually as a package option.

```
27 \let\minted@outputdir\@empty
28 \let\minted@outputdir@windows\@empty
29 \define@key{minted}{outputdir}{%
30  \@namedef{minted@outputdir}{#1/}%
31  \StrSubstitute{\minted@outputdir}{/}%
32  {\@backslashchar}[\minted@outputdir@windows]}
```

langlinenos

Define an option that makes all minted environments and \mint commands for a given language share cumulative line numbering (if firstnumber=last).

```
33 \newboolean{minted@langlinenos}
34 \DeclareVoidOption{langlinenos}{\minted@langlinenostrue}
```

Process package options.

35 \ProcessKeyvalOptions*

8.3 Caching and temp files

\minted@infile

Define a default name for files of highlighted content that are brought it. Caching will redefine this. We start out with the default, non-caching value.

```
36 \newcommand{\minted@infile}{\jobname.out.pyg}
```

We need a way to track the cache files that are created, and delete those that are not in use.

\minted@cachefiles

This is a list of the current cache files.

```
37 \newcommand{\minted@cachefiles}{}
```

\minted@addcachefile

This adds a file to the list of cache files. It also creates a macro involving the hash, so that the current usage of the hash can be easily checked.

```
38 \newcommand{\minted@addcachefile}[1]{%
39 \expandafter\gdef\expandafter\minted@cachefiles\expandafter{%
40 \minted@cachefiles,#1}%
41 \expandafter\gdef\csname minted@current@#1\endcsname{}%
42 }
```

\minted@savecachefiles

We need to be able to save the list of cache files to the .aux file, so that we can reload it on the next run.

```
43 \newcommand{\minted@savecachefiles}{%
44 \immediate\write\@mainaux{%
45 \string\gdef\string\minted@oldcachefiles\string{%
46 \minted@cachefiles\string}}%
47 }
```

\minted@cleancache Clean up old cache files that are no longer in use.

```
48 \newcommand{\minted@cleancache}{%
     \ifthenelse{\boolean{minted@cache}}{%
49
50
       \ifcsname minted@oldcachefiles\endcsname
         \renewcommand{\do}[1]{%
51
           \left\{ \left\{ \right\} \right\} 
52
             \ifcsname minted@current@##1\endcsname\else
53
                \DeleteFile[\minted@outputdir\minted@cachedir]{##1.pygtex}%
54
             \fi
55
56
           } 응
         } 응
57
58
         \expandafter\docsvlist\expandafter{\minted@oldcachefiles}%
       \else
59
60
       \fi
61
     } { } 응
62 }
```

At the end of the document, save the list of cache files and clean the cache.

```
63 \ifthenelse{\boolean{minted@cache}}%
64  {\AtEndDocument{%
65  \minted@savecachefiles
66  \minted@cleancache}}%
67  {}%
```

8.4 OS interaction

We need system-dependent macros for communicating with the "outside world."

\DeleteFile Delete a file. Define conditionally in case an equivalent macro has already been defined.

```
68 \ifwindows
                        \providecommand{\DeleteFile}[2][]{%
60
                                  \ifthenelse{\equal{#1}{}}%
70
                                              71
                                              {\left\{ \left| 1\right\} \right\} }
72
                                                        \StrSubstitute{#1}{/}{\@backslashchar}[\minted@windir]
73
                                                        \immediate\write18{del "\minted@windir\@backslashchar #2"}}{}}}
74
75 \else
                       \providecommand{\DeleteFile}[2][]{%
76
                                  \ifthenelse{\equal{#1}{}}%
77
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79
                                              {\left\{ \left( x^{+1}/42 \right) \right\} \right\}}
8o \fi
```

\ProvideDirectory We need to be able to create a directory, if it doesn't already exist. This is primarily for storing cached highlighted content.

```
81 \ifwindows
82 \newcommand{\ProvideDirectory}[1]{%
83 \StrSubstitute{#1}{/}{\@backslashchar}[\minted@windir]
84 \immediate\write18{if not exist "\minted@windir" mkdir "\minted@windir"}}
85 \else
86 \newcommand{\ProvideDirectory}[1]{%
87 \immediate\write18{mkdir -p "#1"}}
88 \fi
```

\TestAppExists Determine whether a given application exists.

Usage is a bit roundabout, but has been retained for backward compatibility. To test whether an application exists, use the following code:

```
\TestAppExists{appname}
\ifthenelse{\boolean{AppExists}}{app exists}{app doesn't exist}

8g \newboolean{AppExists}
90 \newread\minted@appexistsfile
91 \newcommand{\TestAppExists}[1]{
92 \iftherefore
91 \iftherefore
92 \iftherefore
93 \iftherefore
94 \iftherefore
95 \iftherefore
96 \iftherefore
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98 \iftherefore
99 \iftherefore
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90 \iftherefore
90
```

On Windows, we need to use path expansion and write the result to a file. If the application doesn't exist, the file will be empty (except for a newline); otherwise, it will contain the full path of the application.

```
\DeleteFile { \ jobname.aex }
93
       \immediate\write18{for \string^\@percentchar i in (#1.exe #1.bat #1.cmd)
94
          do set >\jobname.aex <nul: /p</pre>
95
          x=\string^\@percentchar \string~$PATH:i>>\jobname.aex}
96
       %$ <- balance syntax highlighting
97
a8
       \immediate\openin\minted@appexistsfile\jobname.aex
       \expandafter\def\expandafter\@tmp@cr\expandafter{\the\endlinechar}
aa
       \endlinechar=-1\relax
100
       \readline\minted@appexistsfile to \minted@apppathifexists
101
       \endlinechar=\@tmp@cr
102
       \ifthenelse{\equal{\minted@apppathifexists}{}}
103
104
         {\AppExistsfalse}
         {\AppExiststrue}
105
106
        \immediate\closein\minted@appexistsfile
107
       \DeleteFile { \ jobname.aex }
108
        \immediate\typeout{file deleted}
109
```

On Unix-like systems, we do a straightforward which test and create a file upon success, whose existence we can then check.

```
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```

8.5 Option processing

We need macros for storing options that will later be passed to the command line. These are defined at the global (g), language (lang), and command or environment (cmd) levels, so that settings can be specified at various levels of hierarchy. The language macro is actually a placeholder. Each individual language will create a $\mbox{minted@optlang}(\mbox{language})$ macro. The current language will be tracked using $\mbox{minted@lang}$.

```
\minted@optg

117 \newcommand{\minted@optg}{}

\minted@lang

118 \let\minted@lang\@empty

\minted@optlang

119 \newcommand{\minted@optlang}{}

\minted@optcmd

120 \newcommand{\minted@optcmd}{}
```

\minted@checklang We need a way to check whether a language has had all its option macros created.

```
121 \newcommand{\minted@checklang}{%
122  \ifcsname minted@optlang\minted@lang\endcsname\else
123  \expandafter\def\csname minted@optlang\minted@lang\endcsname{}%
124  \fi
125  \ifcsname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra\endcsname\else
126  \expandafter\def\csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra\endcsname{}%
127  \fi
128 }
```

\minted@resetoptcmd

We need a macro that will reset command-level options to null values. This macro will be redefined as command-level options are specified, in such a way that the

next time it is used it will reset all options to null values. An equivalent at the global and command levels is not provided, since those options should persist.

It is convenient always to reset the extra options, given the number of extra options and the proportional inconvenience of always having to check whether they have been added to the reset list.

The autogobble at the command level needs to be reset separately since it is not a standard option.

```
129 \newcommand{\minted@resetoptcmd}{%
130 \@namedef{minted@optcmd@extra}{}%
131 \let\minted@optcmd@autogobble\relax}
```

We need a macro that will retrieve detokenized option values suitable for \write18. We create three versions, one for each level of options.

\minted@getoptg

```
132 \newcommand{\minted@getoptg}[1]{%
                        \expandafter\detokenize%
                   133
                        \expandafter\expandafter\expandafter{\csname minted@optq@#1\endcsname}}
                   134
\minted@getoptlang
                   135 \newcommand{\minted@getoptlang}[1]{%
                   136
                        \expandafter\detokenize\expandafter\expandafter\expandafter{%
                          \csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @#1\endcsname}}
                   137
 \minted@getoptcmd
                   138 \newcommand{\minted@getoptcmd}[1]{%
                        \expandafter\detokenize%
                   139
                        \expandafter\expandafter\expandafter{\csname minted@optcmd@#1\endcsname}}
                   140
```

We need a macro that will register options as having been used (add the options that are in use to the list macro). As before, we create three versions, one per level.

\minted@regoptg

```
141 \newcommand{\minted@regoptg}[1]{%
142 \ifcsname minted@optg@#1@reg\endcsname\else
143 \expandafter\let\csname minted@optg@#1@reg\endcsname\@empty
144 \expandafter\def\expandafter\minted@optg\expandafter{%
145 \minted@optg\space\minted@getoptg{#1}}%
146 \fi
147 }
```

\minted@regoptlang

```
148 \newcommand{\minted@regoptlang}[1]{%
     \ifcsname minted@optlang\minted@lang @#1@reg\endcsname\else
149
150
       \ifcsname minted@optlang\minted@lang\endcsname\else
          \expandafter\def\csname minted@optlang\minted@lang\endcsname{}%
151
152
       \expandafter\let\csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @#1@reg\endcsname\@empty
153
       \expandafter\let\expandafter\minted@optlang%
154
         \csname minted@optlang\minted@lang\endcsname
155
       \expandafter\def\expandafter\minted@optlang\expandafter{%
156
         \minted@optlang\space\minted@getoptlang{#1}}%
157
158
       \expandafter\let\csname minted@optlang\minted@lang\endcsname\minted@optlang
159
       \let\minted@optlang\@empty
     \fi
160
161 }
```

\minted@regoptcmd

```
162 \newcommand{\minted@regoptcmd}[1]{%
     \ifcsname minted@optcmd@#1@reg\endcsname\else
163
164
       \expandafter\let\csname minted@optcmd@#1@reg\endcsname\@empty
165
       \expandafter\def\expandafter\minted@optcmd\expandafter{%
         \minted@optcmd\space\minted@getoptcmd{#1}}%
166
167
       \expandafter\def\expandafter\minted@resetoptcmd\expandafter{%
168
            \minted@resetoptcmd
169
            \@namedef{minted@optcmd@#1}{}}
170
     \fi
171 }
```

\minted@define@opt Define a generic option with an optional default argument. Options are given in a {key}{value} format that is transformed into key=value and then passed to pygmentize. This allows value to be easily stored in a separate macro for later access. This is useful, for example, in separately accessing the value of encoding for performing autogobble.

> If a key option is specified without =value, the default is assumed. Options are automatically created at all levels.

```
172 \newcommand{\minted@define@opt}[4][]{%
     \ifthenelse{\equal{#1}{}}%
173
        {\define@key{minted@optg}{#2}{\define@key{minted@optg}{#3}{}}
174
            \@namedef{minted@optg@#2@val}{#4}%
175
            \minted@regoptg{#2}}%
176
         \define@key{minted@optlang}{#2}{%
177
            \@namedef{minted@optlang\minted@lang @#2}{#3=#4}%
178
            \@namedef{minted@optlang\minted@lang @#2@val}{#4}%
179
            \minted@regoptlang{#2}}%
180
181
         \define@key{minted@optcmd}{#2}{\@namedef{minted@optcmd@#2}{#3=#4}%
182
            \@namedef{minted@optcmd@#2@val}{#4}%
```

```
183
                                                              \minted@regoptcmd{#2}}}%
                                        {\column{2}{c} \{\column{2}{c} \{\co
184
185
                                                              \@namedef{minted@optg@#2@val}{#4}%
                                                              \minted@regoptg{#2}}%
186
                                                   \define@key{minted@optlang}{#2}[#1]{%
187
188
                                                              \@namedef{minted@optlang\minted@lang @#2}{#3=#4}%
189
                                                              \@namedef{minted@optlang\minted@lang @#2@val}{#4}%
                                                              \minted@regoptlang{#2}}%
100
                                                   191
                                                              \@namedef{minted@optcmd@#2@val}{#4}%
192
193
                                                              \minted@regoptcmd{#2}}}%
194 }
```

\minted@define@optstyle

Define an option for styles. These are defined independently, because styles need to be registered, so that the macros for a given style are only created and inputted once.

```
195 \newcommand{\minted@define@optstyle}{%
     \define@key{minted@optg}{style}{%
196
       \@namedef{minted@optg@style}{-P style=##1 -P commandprefix=PYG##1}%
197
198
       \minted@regoptg{style}\minted@regstyle{##1}}%
     \define@key{minted@optlang}{style}{%
100
       \@namedef{minted@optlang\minted@lang @style}%
200
          {-P style=##1 -P commandprefix=PYG##1}%
201
202
       \minted@regoptlang{style}\minted@regstyle{##1}}%
203
     \define@key{minted@optcmd}{style}{%
       \@namedef{minted@optcmd@style}{-P style=##1 -P commandprefix=PYG##1}%
204
       \minted@regoptcmd{style}\minted@regstyle{##1}}%
205
206 }
```

\minted@regstyle Register any used styles, and make sure that the definitions are available.

It's important that registration be done with \def. The style macros are defed, so they will be local if included within a group. We need to make sure that we don't make the mistake of registering a style globally that is actually only available in a group.

We have to do some tricks with \endlinechar to prevent \input from inserting unwanted whitespace. That is primarily for inline commands, where it would introduce a line break.

```
207 \newcommand{\minted@regstyle}[1]{%
     \ifcsname minted@stylereg@#1\endcsname\else
208
       \expandafter\global\expandafter%
200
         \let\csname minted@stylereg@#1\endcsname\@empty
210
211
       \ifthenelse{\boolean{minted@cache}}%
212
          {\IfFileExists{\minted@outputdir\minted@cachedir/#1.pygstyle}{}{%
213
            \ifwindows
              \immediate\write18{\MintedPygmentize\space -S #1 -f latex
214
```

```
-P commandprefix=PYG#1
215
                 > "\minted@outputdir@windows\minted@cachedir@windows\@backslashchar#1.p
216
            \else
217
               \immediate\write18{\MintedPygmentize\space -S #1 -f latex
218
                 -P commandprefix=PYG#1
219
                 > "\minted@outputdir\minted@cachedir/#1.pygstyle"}%
220
            \fi
221
222
            } 응
            \begingroup
223
            \let\def\gdef
224
            \endlinechar=-1\relax
225
226
            \input{\minted@outputdir\minted@cachedir/#1.pygstyle}%
            \endgroup}%
227
228
          {\ifwindows
               \immediate\write18{\MintedPygmentize\space -S #1 -f latex
220
                 -P commandprefix=PYG#1 > "\minted@outputdir@windows\jobname.out.pyg"}%
230
            \else
231
               \immediate\write18{\MintedPygmentize\space -S #1 -f latex
232
                 -P commandprefix=PYG#1 > "\minted@outputdir\jobname.out.pyg"}%
233
            \fi
234
            \begingroup
235
            \let\def\gdef
236
            \ensuremath{\mbox{\mbox{endlinechar=-1}relax}}
237
            \input{\minted@outputdir\jobname.out.pyg}%
238
            \endgroup}%
239
      \fi
240
241 }
```

\minted@define@switch Define a switch or boolean option, which is true when no value is specified.

```
242 \newcommand{\minted@define@switch}[3][]{
243
     \define@booleankey{minted@optg}{#2}
        {\@namedef{minted@optg@#2}{#3}\minted@regoptg{#2}}
244
        {\@namedef{minted@optg@#2}{#1}\minted@regoptg{#2}}
245
     \define@booleankey{minted@optlang}{#2}
246
        {\@namedef{minted@optlang\minted@lang @#2}{#3}\minted@regoptlang{#2}}
247
        {\@namedef{minted@optlang\minted@lang @#2}{#1}\minted@regoptlang{#2}}
248
     \define@booleankey{minted@optcmd}{#2}
249
        {\@namedef{minted@optcmd@#2}{#3}\minted@regoptcmd{#2}}
250
        {\@namedef{minted@optcmd@#2}{#1}\minted@regoptcmd{#2}}
251
252 }
```

\minted@define@extra Extra options are passed on to fancyvrb via Pygments.

```
253 \newcommand{\minted@define@extra}[1]{
254 \define@key{minted@optg}{#1}{%
255 \expandafter\def\expandafter\minted@optg@extra\expandafter{%
256 \minted@optg@extra,#1=##1}}
257 \@namedef{minted@optg@extra}{}
```

```
\define@key{minted@optlang}{#1}{%
258
       \ifcsname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra\endcsname\else
259
          \expandafter\def\csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra\endcsname{}%
260
261
       \expandafter\let\expandafter\minted@optlang@extra%
262
263
         \csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra \endcsname
264
       \expandafter\def\expandafter\minted@optlang@extra\expandafter{%
265
         \minted@optlang@extra, #1=##1}%
266
       \expandafter\let\csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra\endcsname%
          \minted@optlang@extra
267
268
       \let\minted@optlang@extra\@empty}%
269
     \@namedef{minted@optlang@extra}{}
     \define@key{minted@optcmd}{#1}{%
270
       \expandafter\def\expandafter\minted@optcmd@extra\expandafter{%
271
          \minted@optcmd@extra, #1=##1}}
272
     \@namedef{minted@optcmd@extra}{}
273
274 }
```

\minted@define@extra@switch Extra switch options are also passed on to fancyvrb.

```
275 \newcommand{\minted@define@extra@switch}[1]{
276
              \define@booleankey{minted@optg}{#1}
                    {\expandafter\def\expandafter\minted@optg@extra\expandafter{%
277
278
                         \minted@optg@extra,#1}}
                    {\expandafter\def\expandafter\minted@optg@extra\expandafter{%
279
280
                         \minted@optg@extra, #1=false}}
281
              \define@booleankey{minted@optlang}{#1}
282
                   { 응
                        \ifcsname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra\endcsname\else
283
                              \expandafter\def\csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra\endcsname{}%
284
285
286
                        \expandafter\let\expandafter\minted@optlang@extra%
287
                              \csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra\endcsname
288
                        \verb|\expandafter\expandafter\minted@optlang@extra\expandafter{% | lemma | lemm
289
                              \minted@optlang@extra, #1}%
                        \expandafter\let\csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra\endcsname%
290
291
                              \minted@optlang@extra
202
                        \let\minted@optlang@extra\@empty}
293
                        \ifcsname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra\endcsname\else
294
                              \expandafter\def\csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra\endcsname{}%
295
296
                        \expandafter\let\expandafter\minted@optlang@extra%
297
                              \csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra\endcsname
298
                        \expandafter\def\expandafter\minted@optlang@extra\expandafter{%
299
                              \minted@optlang@extra, #1=false}%
300
                        \expandafter\let\csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @extra\endcsname%
301
302
                              \minted@optlang@extra
                         \let\minted@optlang@extra\@empty}
303
304
              \define@booleankey{minted@optcmd}{#1}
```

```
{\expandafter\def\expandafter\minted@optcmd@extra\expandafter{%
305
                      \minted@optcmd@extra, #1}}
306
                 {\color=0.05cm} \color=0.05cm \color=0.05c
307
                      \minted@optcmd@extra, #1=false}}
308
309 }
   Actual option definitions.
   Lexers.
310 % The following duplicates the 'extra' version; any difference?
311 %\minted@define@opt{tabsize}{-P tabsize}{#1}
312 \minted@define@opt{encoding}{-P encoding}{#1}
313 \minted@define@opt{outencoding}{-P outencoding}{#1}
314 \minted@define@opt{stripnl}{-P stripnl}{#1}
315 % Python console
316 \minted@define@switch{python3}{-P python3=True}
317 % PHP
318 \minted@define@switch[-P funcnamehighlighting=False]%
319 {funcnamehighlighting}{-P funcnamehighlighting}
320 \minted@define@switch{startinline}{-P startinline}
   Filters.
321 \minted@define@opt{gobble}{-F gobble:n}{#1}
322 \minted@define@opt{codetagify}{-F codetagify:codetags}{#1}
323 \minted@define@opt{keywordcase}{-F keywordcase:case}{#1}
   LATEX formatter.
324 \minted@define@switch{texcl}{-P texcomments}
325 \minted@define@switch{texcomments}{-P texcomments}
326 \minted@define@switch{mathescape} {-P mathescape}
327 \minted@define@switch{linenos}{-P linenos}
328 \minted@define@optstyle
   fancyvrb (via LATEXformatter).
329 \minted@define@extra{frame}
330 \minted@define@extra{framesep}
331 \minted@define@extra{framerule}
332 \minted@define@extra{rulecolor}
333 \minted@define@extra{numbersep}
334 \minted@define@extra{numbers}
335 \minted@define@extra{firstnumber}
336 \minted@define@extra{stepnumber}
337 \minted@define@extra{firstline}
338 \minted@define@extra{lastline}
339 \minted@define@extra{baselinestretch}
```

340 \minted@define@extra{xleftmargin}
341 \minted@define@extra{xrightmargin}

```
342 \minted@define@extra{fillcolor}
343 \minted@define@extra{tabsize}
344 \minted@define@extra{fontfamily}
345 \minted@define@extra{fontsize}
346 \minted@define@extra{fontshape}
347 \minted@define@extra{fontseries}
348 \minted@define@extra{formatcom}
349 \minted@define@extra{label}
350 \minted@define@extra@switch{numberblanklines}
351 \minted@define@extra@switch{resetmargins}
352 \minted@define@extra@switch{resetmargins}
353 \minted@define@extra@switch{showtabs}
354 \minted@define@extra@switch{showtabs}
355 \minted@define@extra@switch{obeytabs}
```

bgcolor: The old bgcolor is retained for compatibility, but in many cases a dedicated framing package may be preferable.

```
356 \let\minted@optcmd@bgcolor\@empty
357 \define@key{minted@optcmd}{bgcolor}{\@namedef{minted@optcmd@bgcolor}{#1}}
```

Autogobble. We create options that govern when Python's textwrap.dedent() is used to autogobble code.

To begin with, autogobbling requires access to the current encoding, so that Python can read the file correctly before dedenting and writing.

minted@encoding Get the current encoding.

```
358 \newcommand{\minted@encoding}{%
     \ifcsname minted@optcmd@encoding@val\endcsname
359
360
        \csname minted@optcmd@encoding@val\endcsname
361
        \ifcsname minted@optlang\minted@lang @encoding@val\endcsname
362
          \csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @encoding@val\endcsname
363
        \else
364
          \ifcsname minted@optg@encoding@val\endcsname
365
366
            \csname minted@optg@encoding@val\endcsname
367
          \else
            UTF8%
368
          \fi
369
        \fi
370
     \fi
371
372 }
```

Define autogobble options.

```
373 \define@booleankey{minted@optg}{autogobble}
374 {\expandafter\let\csname minted@optg@autogobble\endcsname\@empty}
375 {\expandafter\let\csname minted@optg@autogobble\endcsname\relax}
```

minted@autogobble We need a boolean to keep track of whether autogobbling will be performed.

```
382 \newboolean{minted@autogobble}
```

\minted@set@autogobble

We need a command to set the autogobble boolean. We have to make sure that all options exist to begin with

```
383 \newcommand{\minted@set@autogobble}{%
      \ifcsname minted@optg@autogobble\endcsname\else
        \expandafter\let\csname minted@optg@autogobble\endcsname\relax
385
386
387
      \ifcsname minted@optlang\minted@lang @autogobble\endcsname\else
        \expandafter\let\csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @autogobble\endcsname\relax
388
389
      \ifcsname minted@optcmd@autogobble\endcsname\else
390
        \expandafter\let\csname minted@optcmd@autogobble\endcsname\relax
391
392
      \expandafter\ifx\csname minted@optcmd@autogobble\endcsname\@empty
393
        \setboolean{minted@autogobble}{true}%
394
395
        \expandafter\ifx\csname minted@optlang\minted@lang @autogobble\endcsname\@empty
396
          \setboolean{minted@autogobble}{true}%
397
        \else
398
          \expandafter\ifx\csname minted@optg@autogobble\endcsname\@empty
399
            \setboolean{minted@autogobble}{true}%
400
          \else
401
            \setboolean{minted@autogobble}{false}%
402
          \fi
403
        \fi
404
405
      \fi
406 }
```

8.6 Internal helpers

\minted@bgbox

Define an environment that may be wrapped around a minted environment to assign a background color. This is retained as a holdover from version 1.0. In most cases, it is probably better to use a dedicated framing package, such as mdframed or tcolorbox.

First, we need to define a new save box.

```
407 \newsavebox{\minted@bgbox}
```

Now we can define the environment that captures a code fragment inside a minipage and applies a background color.

```
408 \newenvironment{minted@colorbg}[1]{
       %\setlength{\fboxsep}{-\fboxrule}
400
       \def\minted@bgcol{#1}
410
       \noindent
411
       \begin{lrbox}{\minted@bgbox}
412
       \begin{minipage}{\linewidth-2\fboxsep}}
413
    {\end{minipage}
414
       \end{lrbox}%
415
        \colorbox{\minted@bgcol}{\usebox{\minted@bgbox}}}
416
```

\minted@code Create a file handle for saving code (and anything else that must be written to temp files).

417 \newwrite\minted@code

\minted@savecode Save code to be pygmentized to a file.

```
418 \newcommand{\minted@savecode}[1]{
419  \immediate\openout\minted@code\jobname.pyg\relax
420  \immediate\write\minted@code{\expandafter\detokenize\expandafter{#1}}%
421  \immediate\closeout\minted@code}
```

\minted@FVB@VerbatimOut

We need a custom version of fancyvrb's \FVB@VerbatimOut that supports Unicode (everything written to file is \detokenized).

```
422 \newcommand{\minted@write@detok}[1]{%
     \immediate\write\FV@OutFile{\detokenize{#1}}}
424 \newcommand{\minted@FVB@VerbatimOut}[1]{%
     \@bsphack
425
     \begingroup
426
       \FV@UseKeyValues
427
       \FV@DefineWhiteSpace
428
429
       \def\FV@Space{\space}%
       \FV@DefineTabOut
430
       \let\FV@ProcessLine\minted@write@detok
431
       \immediate\openout\FV@OutFile #1\relax
432
       \let\FV@FontScanPrep\relax
433
       \let\@noligs\relax
434
       \FV@Scan}
435
```

\MintedPygmentize

We need a way to customize the executable/script that is called to perform highlighting. Typically, we will want pygmentize. But advanced users might wish to use a custom Python script instead.

```
436 \newcommand{\MintedPygmentize} {pygmentize}
```

\minted@pygmentize

Pygmentize a file (default: \jobname.pyg) using the options provided.

Unfortunately, the logic for caching is a little complex due to operations that are OS- and engine-dependent.

The name of cached files is the result of concatenating the md5 of the code and the md5 of the command. This results in a filename that is longer than ideal (64 characters plus path and extension). Unfortunately, this is the only robust approach that is possible using the built-in pdfTeX hashing capabilities. LuaTeX could do better, by hashing the command and code together. The Python script that provides XeTeX capabilities simply runs both the command and the code through a single sha1 hasher, but has the additional overhead of the \write18 call and Python execution.

One potential concern is that caching should also keep track of the command from which code originates. What if identical code is highlighted with identical settings in both the minted environment and \mintinline command? In both cases, what is actually saved by Pygments is identical. The difference in final appearance is due to how the environment and command treat the Pygments output.

Notice that the verboptions macros don't need separating commas, since they're assembled in such a way that they will always have a leading comma.

```
\newcommand{\minted@pygmentize}[2][\jobname.pyg]{%
438
      \minted@checklang
439
      \minted@set@autogobble
      \ifthenelse{\boolean{minted@autogobble}}%
440
        {\def\minted@codefile{\jobname.pyg}}%
441
        {\def\minted@codefile{#1}}%
442
      \def\minted@cmd{\MintedPygmentize\space -1 #2
443
       -f latex -F tokenmerge
444
        \minted@optg \space \csname minted@optlang\minted@lang\endcsname
445
        \space \minted@optcmd \space -P "verboptions=\minted@getoptg{extra}%
446
          \minted@getoptlang{extra}\minted@getoptcmd{extra}"
447
448
        -o "\minted@outputdir\minted@infile" \space
       "\minted@outputdir\minted@codefile"}%
449
      % For debugging, uncomment:
450
      % \immediate\typeout{\minted@cmd}%
451
      \ifthenelse{\boolean{minted@cache}}%
452
453
          \expandafter\ifx\csname XeTeXinterchartoks\endcsname\relax
454
            \ifthenelse{\boolean{minted@autogobble}}%
455
              {\edef\minted@hash{\pdf@filemdfivesum{#1}%
456
                \pdf@mdfivesum{\minted@cmd autogobble}}}%
457
              {\edef\minted@hash{\pdf@filemdfivesum{#1}%
458
                \pdf@mdfivesum{\minted@cmd}}}%
459
          \else
460
```

⁴It would be possible to use only the cache of the code, but that approach breaks down as soon as the code is used multiple times with different options. While that may seem unlikely in practice, it occurs in this documentation and may be expected to occur in other docs.

```
\immediate\openout\minted@code\jobname.mintedcmd\relax
461
            \immediate\write\minted@code{\minted@cmd}%
462
            \ifthenelse{\boolean{minted@autogobble}}%
463
              {\immediate\write\minted@code{autogobble}}{}}
464
465
            \immediate\closeout\minted@code
466
            %Cheating a little here by using ASCII codes to write `{` and `}`
467
            %in the Python code
468
            \def\minted@hashcmd{%
              \detokenize{python -c "import hashlib;
469
470
                hasher = hashlib.sha1();
                f = open(\'}\minted@outputdir\jobname.mintedcmd\detokenize{\', \'rb\');
471
                hasher.update(f.read());
472
                f.close();
473
                f = open(\')\minted@outputdir#1\detokenize(\', \'rb\');
474
                hasher.update(f.read());
475
                f.close();
476
                f = open(\'}\minted@outputdir\jobname.mintedmd5\detokenize{\', \'w\');
477
                macro = \'\\edef\\minted@hash\' + chr(123) + hasher.hexdigest() + chr(1
478
                f.write(\'\\makeatletter\' + macro + \'\\makeatother\n\');
479
480
                f.close();"}}%
481
            \immediate\write18{\minted@hashcmd}
482
            \input{\minted@outputdir\jobname.mintedmd5}%
483
          \ifwindows
484
485
            \edef\minted@infile{%
486
              \minted@cachedir@windows\@backslashchar\minted@hash.pygtex}%
487
488
            \edef\minted@infile{%
              \minted@cachedir/\minted@hash.pygtex}%
489
          \fi
490
          \IfFileExists{\minted@cachedir/\minted@hash.pygtex}{}{%
491
            \ifthenelse{\boolean{minted@autogobble}}{%
492
              %Need a version of open() that supports encoding under Python 2
493
              \edef\minted@autogobblecmd{%
494
                \detokenize{python -c "import sys;
495
                import textwrap;
496
497
                from io import open;
                f = open(\'}\minted@outputdir#1\detokenize{\', \'r\', encoding=\'}\mint
498
                t = f.read();
499
                f.close();
500
                f = open(\'}\minted@outputdir\jobname.pyg\detokenize{\', \'w\', encodin
501
                f.write(textwrap.dedent(t));
502
                f.close();"}%
503
              } 응
504
              \immediate\write18{\minted@autogobblecmd}}{}}
505
506
            \immediate\write18{\minted@cmd}}%
          \expandafter\minted@addcachefile\expandafter{\minted@hash}%
507
508
          \minted@inputpyg}%
       { 응
509
          \ifthenelse{\boolean{minted@autogobble}}{%
510
```

```
%Need a version of open() that supports encoding under Python 2
511
           \edef\minted@autogobblecmd{%
512
             \detokenize{python -c "import sys;
513
             import textwrap;
514
             from io import open;
515
             f = open(\'}\minted@outputdir#1\detokenize{\', \'r\', encoding=\'}\minted
516
             t = f.read();
517
             f.close();
518
             f = open(\'}\minted@outputdir\jobname.pyg\detokenize{\', \'w\', encoding=
519
             f.write(textwrap.dedent(t));
520
             f.close();"}%
521
522
           \immediate\write18{\minted@autogobblecmd}}{}}
523
         \immediate\write18{\minted@cmd}%
524
         \minted@inputpyg}%
525
526 }
527 \newcommand{\minted@inputpyg}{%
     528
529
       {\begin{minted@colorbg}{\minted@optcmd@bgcolor}}%
530
     \input{\minted@outputdir\minted@infile}%
531
     \ifthenelse{\equal{\minted@optcmd@bgcolor}{}}%
532
533
       {\end{minted@colorbg}}%
534
535 }
```

We need a way to have line counters on a per-language basis.

\minted@langlinenoson

```
536 \newcounter{minted@FancyVerbLineTemp}
537 \newcommand{\minted@langlinenoson}{%
538  \ifcsname c@minted@lang\minted@lang\endcsname\else
539   \newcounter{minted@lang\minted@lang}%
540  \fi
541  \setcounter{minted@FancyVerbLineTemp}{\value{FancyVerbLine}}%
542  \setcounter{FancyVerbLine}{\value{minted@lang\minted@lang}}%
543 }
```

\minted@langlinenosoff

```
544 \newcommand{\minted@langlinenosoff}{%
545 \setcounter{minted@lang\minted@lang}{\value{FancyVerbLine}}%
546 \setcounter{FancyVerbLine}{\value{minted@FancyVerbLineTemp}}%
547 }
```

Disable the language-specific settings if the package option isn't used.

```
548 \ifthenelse{\boolean{minted@langlinenos}}{}{%
```

```
549 \let\minted@langlinenoson\relax
550 \let\minted@langlinenosoff\relax
551 }
```

8.7 Public API

\setminted Set global or language-level options.

```
552 \newcommand{\setminted}[2][]{%
553 \ifthenelse{\equal{#1}{}}%
554 {\setkeys{minted@optg}{#2}}%
555 {\def\minted@lang{#1}\setkeys{minted@optlang}{#2}}%
556 }
```

\usemintedstyle Set style. This is a holdover from version 1, since \setminted can now accomplish this, and a hierarchy of style settings are now possible.

```
557 \newcommand{\usemintedstyle}[2][]{\setminted[#1]{style=#2}}
```

\mintinline Define an inline command. This requires some catcode acrobatics. The typical verbatim methods are not used. Rather, a different approach is taken that is generally more robust when used within other commands (for example, when used in footnotes).

Pygments saves code wrapped in a Verbatim environment. Getting the inline command to work correctly require redefining Verbatim to be BVerbatim temporarily. This approach would break if BVerbatim were ever redefined elsewhere.

```
558 \newcommand{\mintinline}[2][]{%
      \minted@resetoptcmd
559
      \setkeys{minted@optcmd}{#1}%
560
      \def\minted@lang{#2}%
561
     \begingroup
562
     \let\do\@makeother\dospecials
563
     \catcode \\{=1
564
565
     \catcode \\}=2
566
      \catcode \\^^I=\active
     \@ifnextchar\bgroup
567
568
        {\minted@inline@iii}%
569
        {\catcode \\{=12\catcode \\}=12
570
          \minted@inline@i}}
571 \def\minted@inline@i#1{%
572
      \endgroup
     \def\minted@inline@ii##1#1{%
573
        \minted@inline@iii{##1}}%
574
     \begingroup
575
     \let\do\@makeother\dospecials
576
     \minted@inline@ii}
577
```

```
\endgroup
             579
                   \immediate\openout\minted@code\jobname.pyg\relax
             580
                   \immediate\write\minted@code{\detokenize{#1}}%
             581
                   \immediate\closeout\minted@code
             582
             583
                   \begingroup
             584
                  \RecustomVerbatimEnvironment{Verbatim}{BVerbatim}{}%
             585
                   \minted@pygmentize{\minted@lang}%
             586
                   \endgroup}
       \mint Highlight a small piece of verbatim code.
             587 \newcommand{\mint}[3][]{%
                  \def\minted@lang{#2}%
                   \DefineShortVerb{#3}%
             589
                  \minted@resetoptcmd
             590
                   \setkeys{minted@optcmd}{#1}%
             591
                  \SaveVerb[aftersave={%
             592
                     \UndefineShortVerb{#3}%
             593
                     \minted@savecode{\FV@SV@minted@verb}%
             594
                     \minted@langlinenoson
             595
                     \minted@pygmentize{#2}
             596
                     \minted@langlinenosoff}]{minted@verb}#3}
             597
      minted Highlight a longer piece of code inside a verbatim environment.
             598 \newenvironment{minted}[2][]
                   {\VerbatimEnvironment
             599
             600
                     \let\FVB@VerbatimOut\minted@FVB@VerbatimOut
             601
                     \def\minted@lang{#2}%
             602
                     \minted@resetoptcmd
             603
                     \setkeys{minted@optcmd}{#1}%
                     \begin{VerbatimOut}[codes={\catcode \^^I=12}]{\jobname.pyg}}%
             604
             605
                 {\end{VerbatimOut}%
             606
                     \minted@langlinenoson
                     \minted@pygmentize{\minted@lang}%
             607
                     \minted@langlinenosoff}
\inputminted Highlight an external source file.
             60g \newcommand{\inputminted}[3][]{%
             610
                  \def\minted@lang{#2}%
             611
                  \minted@resetoptcmd
                   \setkeys{minted@optcmd}{#1}%
                  \minted@pygmentize[#3]{#2}}
             613
```

578 \newcommand{\minted@inline@iii}[1]{%

8.8 Command shortcuts

We allow the user to define shortcuts for the highlighting commands.

\newminted Define a new language-specific alias for the minted environment.

```
614 \newcommand{\newminted}[3][]{
```

First, we look whether a custom environment name was given as the first optional argument. If that's not the case, construct it from the language name (append "code").

```
615 \ifthenelse{\equal{#1}{}}
616 {\def\minted@envname{#2code}}
617 {\def\minted@envname{#1}}
```

Now, we define two environments. The first takes no further arguments. The second, starred version, takes an extra argument that specifies option overrides.

\newmint Define a new language-specific alias for the \mint short form.

```
625 \newcommand{\newmint}[3][]{
```

Same as with \newminted, look whether an explicit name is provided. If not, take the language name as command name.

```
626 \ifthenelse{\equal{#1}{}}
627 {\def\minted@shortname{#2}}
628 {\def\minted@shortname{#1}}
```

And define the macro.

```
629 \expandafter\newcommand\csname\minted@shortname\endcsname[2][]{
630 \mint[#3,##1]{#2}##2}}
```

\newmintedfile Define a new language-specific alias for \inputminted.

```
631 \newcommand{\newmintedfile}[3][]{
```

Here, the default macro name (if none is provided) appends "file" to the language name.

```
632 \ifthenelse{\equal{#1}{}}
633 {\def\minted@shortname{#2file}}
634 {\def\minted@shortname{#1}}
```

... and define the macro.

```
635 \expandafter\newcommand\csname\minted@shortname\endcsname[2][]{
636 \inputminted[#3,##1]{#2}{##2}}}
```

\newmintinline Define an alias for \mintinline.

As is usual with inline commands, a little catcode trickery must be employed.

```
637 \newcommand{\newmintinline}[3][]{%
      \left\{ \left( \frac{\#1}{\$} \right) \right\}
638
        {\def\minted@shortname{#2inline}}%
639
640
        {\def\minted@shortname{#1}}%
641
        \expandafter\newcommand\csname\minted@shortname\endcsname{%
642
          \begingroup
          \let\do\@makeother\dospecials
643
          \catcode \\{=1
644
          \catcode \\}=2
645
          \@ifnextchar[{\endgroup\minted@inliner[#3][#2]}%
646
647
            {\endgroup\minted@inliner[#3][#2][]}}%
        \def\minted@inliner[##1][##2][##3]{\mintinline[##1,##3]{##2}}%
648
649 }
```

8.9 Float support

listing Define a new floating environment to use for floated listings.

```
650 \@ifundefined{minted@float@within}
651 {\newfloat{listing}{h}{lol}}
652 {\newfloat{listing}{h}{lol}[\minted@float@within]}
```

\listingcaption The name that is displayed before each individual listings caption and its number. The macro \listingscaption can be redefined by the user.

```
653 \newcommand{\listingscaption}{Listing}
```

The following definition should not be changed by the user.

```
654 \floatname{listing}{\listingscaption}
```

\listoflistingscaption The caption that is displayed for the list of listings.

```
655 \newcommand{\listoflistingscaption}{List of listings}
```

\listoflistings Used to produce a list of listings (like \listoffigures etc.). This may well clash with other packages (for example, listings) but we choose to ignore this since these two packages shouldn't be used together in the first place.

```
 \textbf{656 } \texttt{\providecommand{\listoflistings}{\listof{\listing}}{\listoflistingscaption}} \} \\
```

8.10 Epilogue

Check whether LaTeX was invoked with -shell-escape option, make sure pygmentize exists, and set the default style.

```
657 \AtEndOfPackage{
658
     \ifnum\pdf@shellescape=1\relax\else
       \PackageError{minted}
659
        {You must invoke LaTeX with the
660
661
         -shell-escape flag}
662
         {Pass the -shell-escape flag to LaTeX. Refer to the minted.sty
         documentation for more information. }%
663
664
     \TestAppExists{pygmentize}
665
     \ifAppExists\else
666
       \PackageError{minted}
667
         {You must have 'pygmentize' installed
668
669
         to use this package}
670
         {Refer to the installation instructions in the minted
         documentation for more information.}
671
672
     \setminted{style=default}%
673
674 }
```

8.11 Final cleanup

Clean up temp files. What actually needs to be done depends on caching and engine.

```
675 \AtEndDocument{
676 \expandafter\ifx\csname XeTeXinterchartoks\endcsname\relax
677 \else
678 \DeleteFile[\minted@outputdir]{\jobname.mintedcmd}%
679 \DeleteFile[\minted@outputdir]{\jobname.mintedmd5}%
680 \fi
681 \DeleteFile[\minted@outputdir]{\jobname.pyg}%
682 \DeleteFile[\minted@outputdir]{\jobname.out.pyg}%
683 }
```